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Dancers of Damelahamid, a traditional northwest-coast troupe, perform Sunday at Ron Basford Park on Granville Island to wrap up the New Works summer performance series All Over the Map. The free all-ages cultural series offered six performances in July. In addition to the aboriginal dance company, All Over the Map featured Cantonese opera and dance and drumming from Nigeria. CHELSEA ALTICE/FOR METRO

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Weightlifter Christine Girard bears Olympic hopes on her capable shoulders PAGE 22

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Some of the biggest hitmakers of the '90s like No Doubt are back in the spotlight PAGE 15

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Mariah Carey rumoured to be signing on for stint as American Idol judge PAGE 16

Crops, jobs bloom at urban farms

SOLEfood. Local enterprise benefits inner-city residents

It's not where you'd expect to find a farm, but behind BC Place, under the Georgia Street viaduct and steps away from False Creek, the green-ribbed leaves and blood-red stalks of a healthy crop of rainbow chard bend in the breeze.

Three months ago, this place was just an empty parking lot. Today, there are 3,000 rectangular planter boxes brimming with chard, strawberries, tomatoes, basil and daikon radishes — just a sampling of the produce sprouting here and in two other urban farms run by social enterprise SOLEfood.

"We can't compete with what a 200-acre farm in Chilliwack is doing, but we're doing amazing things with the limited space that we have," said

SOLEfood co-founder Michael Ableman. "Every crop we are producing has a quality that is extremely high. We don't just grow carrots, we grow a bouquet of carrots — purple, white, yellow and orange carrots. Our food is not just beautiful to look at, but is of a high quality and flavour."

Ableman and business partner Seann Dory planted their first urban farm in Vancouver two years ago on a half-acre lot beside the Astoria Hotel on East Hastings Street. The farm employs an average of seven people and in its first year pulled in \$60,000 in gross revenue.

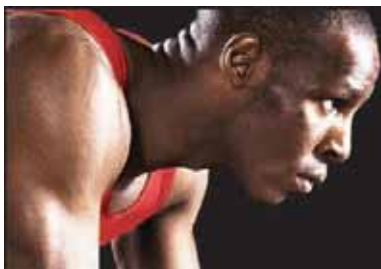
This spring, Dory and Ableman began to expand their enterprise, obtaining three-year leases for the lot at Pacific and Carrall streets and another spot at 1st Avenue and Clark. Two more farms are being developed: Planting will begin next month at Main and Ter-

minal, the site of an old gas station, and another farm near the Olympic Village will begin operating next spring.

Ableman said SOLEfood's main goal is to provide employment for inner-city residents who've faced barriers finding work. "I'm not here to save anyone or to get anyone off drugs; I'm here to provide meaningful work," he said.

Since planting began in May, the farm behind BC Place has employed 25 people from the Downtown Eastside and its produce has been sold in farmers' markets and restaurants across the city. All of the farms will continue to operate through the winter with a narrower range of products.

"This is a work in progress and probably always will be," Ableman said. "When you are working with a biological system and diverse human dynamics, nothing ever stays the same." SUZANNE MA/FOR METRO



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The times they are app-changing for history buffs

Then and Now.

Smartphone application shows you where you are and what the site looked like in days past



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It can be tough to find a piece of history in a rapidly evolving city such as Vancouver, but a new app lets residents travel back in time with their phones.

Vancouver, Then and Now — which launched on Thursday on Apple and Android smartphones — shows users historical photographs of wherever they are in Vancouver to drive home the city's history.

"I get a lot of people saying Vancouver has no history, that it's hard finding anything of it that's left," said Jeremy Hood, who has been digging up historical photographs in the Vancouver archives and taking photos of the modern-day locations for the past five years. "But when they see photographs, they can be surprised by what remains. People want that sense of his-



Then and Now lets users experience history on the go. SCREEN GRAB

tory, and there is a renewed awareness about it."

Hood has partnered with French app developer Ma Ville Avant, which has released similar apps for Montreal, Barcelona and Paris, to give his comparison photos a modern makeover.

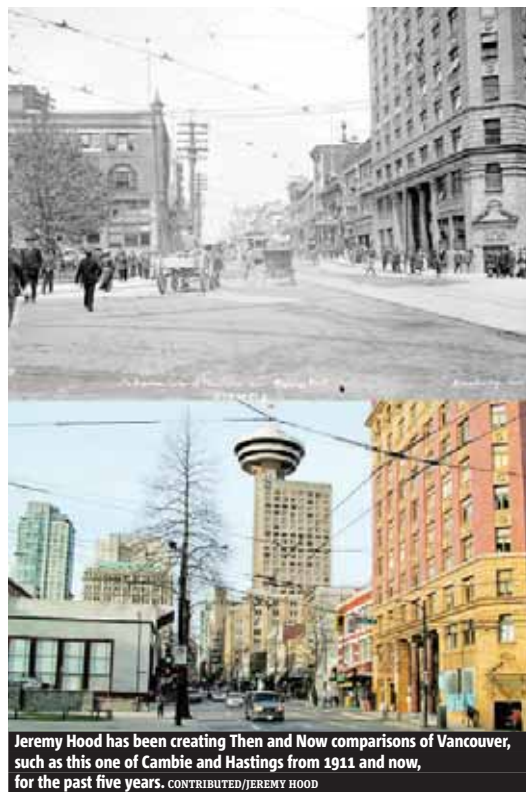
The \$1.99 app can geo-locate a user's location and show nearby points of interest, along with the corresponding historical photos.

"The interactive aspect of the mobile app is a unique feature," said Hood, who previous-

ly put his "then and now" comparisons on Flickr. "It's worth putting it into people's hands. They can experience the history as they're walking around. It really has more impact when you're standing at the same spot a photo was taken."

The app already holds more than 150 historical locations in Vancouver, and Hood expects that number to grow substantially in future updates.

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Jeremy Hood has been creating Then and Now comparisons of Vancouver, such as this one of Cambie and Hastings from 1911 and now, for the past five years. CONTRIBUTED/JEREMY HOOD

New metal-theft laws come into effect

Metal thieves will have a harder time offloading stolen goods as new provincial regulations take effect on Monday.

From now on, people selling regulated metals to recyclers must provide identification.

Scrap dealers and recyclers are also required to keep a log of their purchases and share the information with police, who can then seek court or-

ders for more information if an item matches the description of a stolen object.

The government says metal theft has cost utilities such as Telus and BC Hydro "tens of millions of dollars" in recent years.

Vancouver has had a similar bylaw for the past five years, and police say it has had a considerable impact on metal theft within city

boundaries.

VPD spokesperson Const. Lindsey Houghton said the new regulations won't have much of an effect on Vancouver, but will help elsewhere.

"It will not change how the VPD targets scrap-metal thieves," he said. "It will, however, provide us with another piece of legislation to allow us to effectively conduct investigations into these

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Scrap-metal dealers who fail to comply with the provincial law risk fines of up to \$100,000.

types of incidents and hopefully be another disincentive for those looking to perpe-

trate those types of crimes in Vancouver."

Vancouver police responded to 95 metal-theft calls in 2010, and the number dropped to 61 cases last year.

Chilliwack MLA John Les, on behalf of Attorney General Shirley Bond, will roll out the new regulations during a press conference with Surrey RCMP on Monday afternoon.

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On the web

So much for the Olympic spirit

For some in Athens, the Olympics are not a celebratory affair. The birthplace of the Games is collectively groaning after hosting the 2004 event. Go to metronews.ca to find out why the public is so unhappy.

Mobile news



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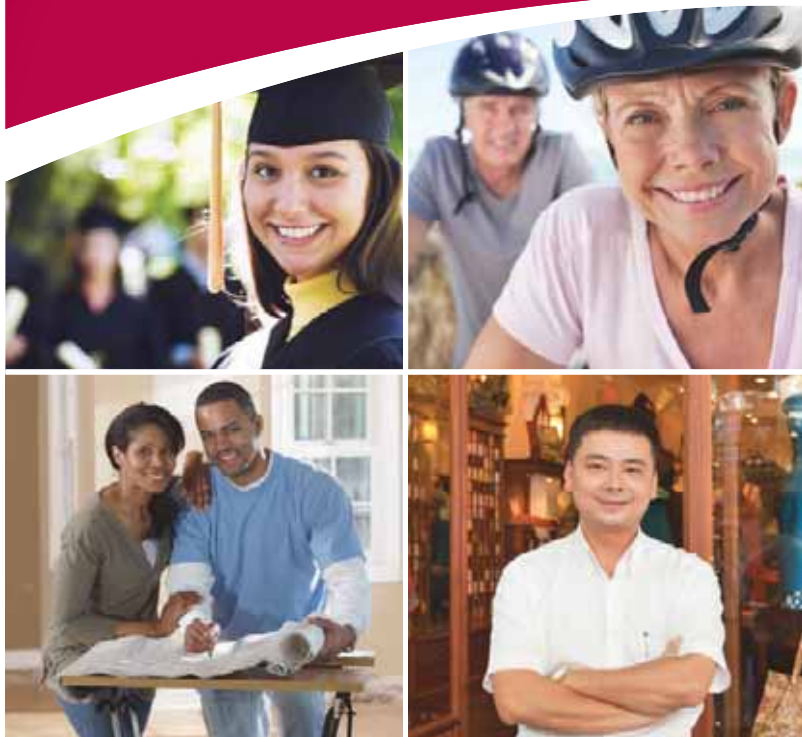
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Carl Anderson sits with his salvaged lamp-inspired octopus creation at the ReVision exhibition on Granville Island.
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Turning trash into treasure

ReVision exhibit.

Outdoor showcase on Granville Island features 25 artists who have created art using recyclable materials

Quoted

"The purpose is to get people to rethink what they're throwing out and why.... It is possible to find beauty in everything."

Art of Recycling Society director Carl Anderson

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Still spring cleaning? Don't chuck the junk — ask a Vancouver ReVision artist what they see.

That's what happened to Art of Recycling Society director Carl Anderson, who was helping a friend move when he spotted an old brass lamp, which became the inspiration for his 16-foot pond octopus.

The ReVision exhibit is a collection by 25 artists who have turned trash into art

using recyclable materials. Their works promote sustainability and are showcased in an outdoor tour at the Creek-house complex on Granville Island.

"The purpose is to get people to rethink what they're throwing out and why," Anderson said.

"It is possible to find beauty in everything."

The life-size art, made from trinkets like bottle caps and matchboxes, includes a chainsaw-billed thunderbird mask and a cascading trumpet fountain.

Anderson said the exhibit,

which started in 2007, sees around 35,000 people passing through each year. He credited Granville Island's unique atmosphere for the success of the exhibit, which has seen an increase in international patrons this year.

"Instead of sterile, white art-gallery walls, the art is featured in a real setting outdoors," Anderson said.

"It becomes a part of the experience, and you have to interact with it."

ReVision — the Art of Recycling is open to the public 24-7 until July 29 and is free to browse.

Interior. Boy killed by falling trees after severe summer storm hits Bible camp

The victim

- Police have not yet released the name of the boy, who they say is a resident of the nearby community of Christina Lake.

through the roof of a hut, crushing the boy who was inside.

Police say several other children were also injured during the incident.

About 65 children were attending the camp at the time, and the RCMP say victim services has called in counsellors to help the boy's family and other youths.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

storm, winds snapped off trees, causing two to fall

An 11-year-old boy is dead in British Columbia's southern Interior after trees crushed his summer-camp cabin during a severe storm.

Police say the accident took place Friday afternoon at the Pines Bible Camp in Grand Forks, 523 kilometres east of Vancouver and near the border with the United States.

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Quesnel. Flash-flood fears lead city to declare local state of emergency

Fears about the possibility of a flash flood have led a city in British Columbia's Cariboo region to declare a state of local emergency.

The City of Quesnel, located 114 kilometres south of Prince George, B.C., says specialists from Emergency Management BC have visited the site of a landslide on Baker Creek, near Pinnacles Provincial Park.

They say the slide may have taken place as early as June 28, creating a blockage and backing up water to a

depth of three to 3.6 metres.

While the city remains confident the blockage will not fail, officials are asking people to stay away from the creek until further notice.

If the blockage was breached, the city says about 30 cubic metres of water per second would flow down the creek, dropping to about 25 cubic metres per second by the time it reached city limits.

The city says the average creek flow during flood season is about 40 cubic metres per second. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Shortlist. Four companies announced as finalists for B.C. liquor distributor

The private bids for control of B.C.'s public liquor-distribution system have been narrowed down to four companies.

The shortlist was initially expected to include three companies, but the minister of labour, citizen's services and open government, Margaret MacDiarmid, says the point system used in the process resulted in a tie for third.

The four bidders include ContainerWorld Forwarding Services Inc., Exel Canada Ltd.,

Metro Supply Chain Group Inc. and Kuehne + Nagel.

MacDiarmid says the final decision on the process will be made by October.

Meanwhile, B.C. Government Employees Union president Darryl Walker says the controversial sale will cost the province a good revenue source.

Walker says the province could make even better use of the system by expanding its retail presence and hours of operation. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Straits of Georgia

Two men rescued after wave capsizes boat

The air force says two men have been rescued off Vancouver Island's east coast after a large wave capsized their small boat and dumped them into frigid ocean waters.

Military officials say the accident took place in the early afternoon off Texada Island, in the Strait of Georgia. They say after the 4.5-metre-long boat capsized, the men were forced to cling to an ice cooler for more than an hour before a civilian sailboat rescued them. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Sunshine Coast

B.C. government protecting more old-growth forests

The provincial government says it's protecting more old-growth forests on the Sunshine Coast.

The Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations says it has now added 14,750 hectares to what's known as old-growth management areas.

Created under the Land Act, the special units are meant to protect the biodiversity of forests and their cultural values.

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Strathcona residents rally on Prior Street on July 6, calling on the city to promise traffic-calming measures before approving the viaduct-removal plan.

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Viaduct-demolition vote pushed back until fall

Final report. Timeline wouldn't allow staff to answer stakeholders' questions before going forward: City manager



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The City of Vancouver has decided not to hold a vote until the fall on whether to demolish the Dunsmuir and Georgia viaducts.

The final report on the plan and vote had been expected Tuesday, but longtime proponent Coun. Geoff Meggs said city staff was out in Chinatown as recently as last Tuesday talking it over with community members.

At some point, the city

manager decided that the timeline wouldn't allow staff to answer all of the stakeholders' questions before moving forward.

"My understanding is that staff just wanted to make sure that the information they now have is put in front of people and that there's a chance to digest it," Meggs said Friday.

"I don't think that they felt they could do justice to all the issues in the time that was left between the end of the discussion and the deadline for the report."

Strathcona residents have been rallying for traffic-calming issues in their neighbourhood all month, arguing Prior Street was never meant to accommodate such high traffic volumes. They presented a 10-point incremental plan to Meggs earlier this month calling for a range of measures,

including the construction of a new overpass completing the Malkin Connector to take commuter and truck traffic off their narrow streets.

"The idea of creating a new connection along Balkan Avenue to Clark Drive is one that the city's had on its to-do list since I lived in Strathcona in the 1980s," Meggs said when asked about the proposal.

Residents and stakeholders will still get an update on the city's position at Tuesday's council meeting, but there will be no speakers. Pete Fry, a spokesman for the Strathcona Residents Association, said residents want to know their concerns will be addressed before the plan is approved.

"We're cautiously optimistic," he said. "We can't rush through something like this in absence of a full-scope plan."

More info

- Background on the city's viaducts plan can be found at vancouver.ca/viaducts.
- The residents' proposal can be downloaded at reconnectstrathcona.ca.

Meggs said city planners are listening to the residents and have not ruled out implementing some of the proposed calming measures while development plans are drawn up and contracts are signed over the next four years.

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Former RCMP Cpl. Benjamin (Monty) Robinson DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Mountie convicted of obstruction of justice in deadly crash discharged

Veteran RCMP officer Cpl. Benjamin (Monty) Robinson, whose involvement in Robert Dziekanski's death and unrelated conviction in a fatal accident made him an example of the bad apples the Mounties have been unable to fire, voluntarily left the force Friday.

Robinson's discharge pa-

pers were signed the same day the disgraced officer was in a B.C. court for sentencing for obstructing justice following the fatal crash in 2008, said Deputy Commissioner Craig Callens.

"I received Mr. Robinson's RCMP discharge documents and I signed them," Callens, the force's top commander

in B.C., said in a statement.

"While I have been clear that I was seeking his involuntary dismissal, the opportunity to discharge him from the organization this morning was one which eliminated further delays, costs and uncertainty."

Robinson's discharge means he will no longer

face internal discipline within the force, including an RCMP code-of-conduct investigation, but his legal troubles could continue for some time.

The 42-year-old was convicted earlier this year of obstruction of justice after his vehicle struck and killed 21-year-old motorcyclist

Orion Hutchinson in Delta.

Robinson and three other Mounties are also facing perjury charges in connection with their testimony at the public inquiry into Dziekanski's death at Vancouver's airport, where the Polish immigrant was stunned with an RCMP Taser.

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Details emerge about suspect in Aurora theatre rampage

Colorado. Holmes was neuroscience student who quit PhD in June

The suspect in the Colorado shooting rampage displayed behaviour that a gun-range owner thought was "bizarre," but it is unclear if anyone at the university where he studied had any hint of his plans.

Police said James Holmes began buying guns at Denver-area stores nearly two months before Friday's shooting. He also received at least 50 packages in four months at his home and the University of Colorado, Denver, that authorities are investigating to see if they contained materials for the potentially deadly booby traps police found in his apartment.

At the same time, the quiet 24-year-old was in the final weeks of the first year of a rigorous PhD neuroscience program, where he took a three-part final exam required for students to progress in the program and was scheduled to give a presentation on microRNA biomarkers before abruptly leaving in June.

Holmes is being held without bond on suspicion of multiple counts of first-degree murder after a shooting ram-

page minutes into a premiere of the new Batman film *The Dark Knight Rises* in Aurora early Friday that left 12 people dead and 58 injured.

He is scheduled for an initial court hearing on Monday and has been assigned a public defender.

Amid the continuing investigation of Holmes and his background on Sunday was a day for healing and remembrance in Aurora, with U.S. President Barack Obama arriving to visit families of the victims and a vigil planned for later in the evening. Congregations across Colorado prayed for the shooting victims and their relatives.

Holmes was being held in solitary confinement at a Denver-area county detention centre and was not co-operating with authorities, Aurora police Chief Dan Oates said.

"He lawyered up. He's not talking to us," Oates said.

Authorities are working with FBI behavioural analysts and are looking into Holmes' relationships to find a motive, which could take months, Oates said.

The owner of a gun range said that Holmes applied to join the club last month but never became a member because of his behaviour and a "bizarre" message on his voice mail. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Christine Watson, left, and her mother, Kathy, pay their respects to fellow parishioner Rebecca Ann Wingo at a memorial in Aurora, Colo., on Sunday.

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Norway pauses to mark anniversary of massacre

Norway on Sunday paused to commemorate the 77 victims of a bomb and gun massacre that shocked the peaceful nation one year ago, a tragedy that the prime minister said had brought Norwegians together in defence of democracy and tolerance.

In a wreath-laying ceremony at the bomb site, Prime Minister Jens Stoltenberg said Anders Behring Breivik had failed in his declared

goal of destroying Norway's commitment to being an inclusive, multicultural society.

"The bomb and the gunshots were meant to change Norway," Stoltenberg told a sombre crowd of a few hundred people at the ceremony. "The Norwegian people answered by embracing our values. The perpetrator lost. The people won."

Tarps still cover windows of bomb-damaged buildings

on the plaza, and large cement roadblocks stop all but pedestrian traffic. Mounted police and officers with bomb-sniffing dogs were on site Sunday, but the security was not overbearing, as if to show that Norway was still an open society.

Survivors and families of victims gathered for a private ceremony on Utoya island, where the shootings took place. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

The attack

Anders Behring Breivik, a 33-year-old right-wing fanatic, has admitted to the July 22, 2011, attacks: A bombing in the government district in Oslo, killing eight, and a shooting rampage that left 69 dead at the left-wing Labour Party's youth camp on Utoya island.



Theodor Lindhjem, 2, lays a flower outside a cathedral in Oslo Sunday.

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China

Deadly flooding may not be over

The heaviest rain to hit Beijing in six decades killed at least 10 people and left cars and buses submerged. Ten other storm deaths were reported elsewhere as China braced Sunday for more downpours. Saturday's rain knocked down trees in Beijing and trapped cars and buses in waist-deep water. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



China's Sichuan province
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Russia

Officials blamed for flood deaths

Russian police have detained three officials accused of failing to properly warn and evacuate residents in a southern region where floods killed scores of people this month, state investigators said Sunday. The flooding in the Black Sea region killed 171 people after torrential downpours. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Poland

Deportations remembered

Members of Poland's Jewish community and other Poles have marked the 70th anniversary of the first deportations from the Warsaw ghetto in 1942 with a memorial march through the city. There have never been major commemorations for the start of deportations to death camps on July 22, 1942. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



A woman ties the names of Holocaust victims onto a former orphanage.

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Bulgaria

Bomber not ID'd after autopsies

Autopsies have provided officials with new information about the suicide bomber who killed five Israelis and a Bulgarian bus driver in the resort town of Burgas. But the attacker's identity appeared to remain unknown, and Bulgaria's government was investigating whether there was an accomplice. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Al-Qaida leader in Iraq promises resurgence

Militants. Al-Baghdadi warns organization is preparing to step up attacks on U.S. and reclaim lost lands

The first online statement from the new leader of al-Qaida's affiliate in Iraq claims that the militant network is returning to the old strongholds from which it was driven by U.S. forces and their Sunni allies prior to the American withdrawal at the end of last year, and that it is preparing operations to free prisoners and assassinate court officials.

The audio identifies the speaker as Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi, who became head of the Islamic State of Iraq (ISI) in 2010. It was posted late Saturday on a website regularly used by the militant movement to make statements.

Al-Baghdadi also invited Muslims to come to Iraq to join his movement and warned the United States that it would soon see militant



The site of a joint U.S.-Iraqi raid on a safe house that killed Abu Omar al-Baghdadi and Abu Ayyub al-Masri.
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attacks on its territory, although it is unclear whether he was referring to attacks by his Iraqi network or by other al-Qaida affiliates.

The statement comes as Sunni insurgents, now believed to be dominated by the ISI, step up attacks against Shiites, government officials and other targets, in what is seen as a bit to undercut the authority of Iraq's state and revive sectarian conflict in

the wake of the pull-out of the last American forces in the country in December.

There is little indication yet however that the large-scale fighting between sectarian groups that wracked the country in 2006 and 2007 will return, nor does al-Qaida appear to have restored the domination it once had over many Sunni communities in that period.

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Friendly faces under fire

Syrian girls attend a demonstration in Kfarnebel, Idlib province, northern Syria. Arabic writing on their foreheads, from top left to bottom right reads, "Latakia, greetings, freedom Homs, Syrian blood, down, Midan neighbourhood." A new rebel alliance said Sunday it had launched an offensive to "liberate" Syria's largest city, Aleppo, while government troops backed by helicopter gunships wrested back control of rebel-held neighbourhoods in the capital Damascus. EDLIB NEWS NETWORK/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

West Bank

Israel tries to delay evacuation

Israel's government has asked the country's Supreme Court to delay the evacuation of a West Bank settlement by a month. No decision was announced.

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Palestinians

Push for statehood gets key backing

The Arab League on Sunday backed a Palestinian plan to ask the UN General Assembly to recognize a state of Palestine, but stopped short of setting a date for the bid, Palestinian officials said.

Instead, Arab League representatives meeting in Doha asked a committee to prepare the UN appeal and report back on Sept. 5, said Saeb Erekat, an aide to Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas said. Timing is crucial, with a UN bid before November potentially disrupting the U.S. presidential race.

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Fatal accident

Toddler run over at P.E.I. racetrack

A three-year-old boy is dead after being hit by a pickup truck on Prince Edward Island. The boy was riding a small bike from the waiting area to the track area of the Oyster Bed Raceway near Charlottetown when he

was hit on Sunday afternoon.

A 28-year-old driver from Nova Scotia was heading toward the track area in a pickup truck and didn't see the child. The boy was taken to the hospital where he was pronounced dead. Police say the driver and the child were known to each other, but no names are being released pending family notification. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Leaders' meeting

Premiers seek common ground on key issues

Canada's premiers will try to forge a common front when they meet this week to discuss a range of contentious issues, including health care, energy and the economy, while pushing

back against a federal government some of them say has shut the door on talks.

Nova Scotia Premier Darrell Dexter, the host of the Council of the Federation gathering, said he and his colleagues will tackle everything from crafting a position on disputed health transfers to the development of a pan-Canadian energy plan. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Fossil protection

Paleontologists fight site vandalism

After a Hadrosaur fossil discovered in northwestern Alberta on June 15 was found smashed to pieces, paleontologists are thinking twice about security at fossil sites.

RCMP say they are investigating the Hadrosaur vandalism, but have no sus-



University of Alberta paleontologist Philip Currie at a dig site in Grande Prairie, Alta. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

pects yet. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

New database needs DNA, families say

Lindsey's Law. Index meant to help identify missing persons and unidentified remains won't include DNA information

A national database to help identify missing persons and unidentified remains is more than a year away, but families and experts say that DNA is the missing piece of the puzzle that the initiative needs.

Judy Peterson has been a proponent of such a database since her daughter, Lindsey Jill Nicholls, went missing in 1993.

Peterson started a petition in 2003 called Lindsey's Law, calling for DNA from missing persons and unidentified remains to be added to the National DNA Data Bank, which was set up in 2000 to help police with their investigations.

A new index called the National Centre for Missing



Lindsey Nicholls, 14, went missing in 1993. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Persons and Unidentified Remains would store descriptive information on these cases and allow for them to be compared nationally for the first time when it launches in late 2013, but it won't include DNA.

The federal government has been resistant to amending the National DNA Data Bank to include the thousands of missing persons and hundreds of unidentified bodies across the country.

It cites privacy concerns and high costs.

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Charest's future hangs in the balance

Effigies are hung in protest in Montreal on Sunday during a mass demonstration against the Quebec Liberal government's policies, including university fee hikes and Bill 78. Thousands of students and their supporters took to the streets to denounce the province's tuition increases, sending a message that they will be ready for a fight if Premier Jean Charest decides to call an election. Protests against Quebec's Liberal government have eased during the summer months, but student groups said yesterday's strong turnout during the height of the summer holidays was proof the movement hasn't died out. The crowd, an enthusiastic mix of students, families and seniors, made its way through the city's downtown on a hot and humid afternoon.

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Happy ending. Bullied bus monitor thanks public for donation drive

An American school-bus monitor who was verbally abused and tormented by students is now mulling over what to do with her embarrassment of riches.

A video showing Karen Klein, 68, being tormented and insulted on the bus ended up online and caught the eye of Max Sidirov of Toronto. He launched a fundraising drive on Indiegogo.com to pay for a holiday.

Sidirov, 25, set the initial fundraising target for \$5,000 dollars, but donors kicked in \$703,873 by the time his campaign wrapped up Friday night.

Klein must now decide what she'll do with the money. Klein has a granddaughter who has Down syndrome and a grand-

By the numbers

\$703,873

Amount raised in an online fundraising drive set up by Max Sidirov of Toronto to help send bullied bus driver Karen Klein on vacation.

son with autism, and has some organizations that work with special-needs children in mind.

Klein said she would like to be able to thank everyone personally for their support, but with numbers climbing into the thousands it's just not possible.

"Hopefully everybody out there knows how much I appreciate everything," she said.

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Body-parts case. Jun Lin's mother pays tribute at memorial service

The parents of Jun Lin took part in an emotional public memorial on Saturday as Montreal's Chinese community gathered to remember the student two months after he was brutally killed.

Lin's mother, Zhigui Du, gave a heart-wrenching address at a Montreal church that brought many in the pews to tears. At times, she showed remarkable resolve standing at the pulpit, and other times wepted uncontrollably as she recalled her only son.

"When a child dies, a parent's heart dies, too," Du said in Mandarin, and an interpreter translated into French. "He is gone. He was taken so fast."

Lin, a 33-year-old Chinese national studying in Montreal,



Jun Lin's mother, Zhigui Du, centre, at a memorial service in Montreal on Sunday. **PETER MCCABE/THE CANADIAN PRESS**

was killed and dismembered two months ago in a gruesome case that shocked people around the world. Luka Rocco Magnotta has pleaded not guilty to several charges in connection with Lin's death.

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Seeking a voice. Native women's representation in politics on the rise

They did it without quotas, action plans or affirmative action.

Half of the eight candidates in the recent election for national chief of the Assembly of First Nations were women — a novelty not just for the native organization but for Canadian politics in general.

The secret to such high female participation is twofold, says Michele Audette, president of the Quebec Native Women's Association.

It lies in politics at the local level, where women on reserves have been taking the reins more and more often, she says.

And it lies in an inclusive approach to men, making them realize that their own



Michelle Audette, president of the Quebec Native Women's Association. **MICHELLE SIU/THE CANADIAN PRESS**

health and welfare improve along with the empowerment of women, Audette said in an interview as the AFN elections wrapped up.

"We do not push the men away," she said.

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Puerto Rico's legal cockfights in decline

Revenues suffering.

As sport moves underground, official clubs are seeing their profits plummet

Each man clutched a wriggling knapsack and stood in line, anxious to have every gamecock weighed and outfitted with spurs for a match at one of

Puerto Rico's largest cockfighting clubs. Within minutes, the men repeatedly called out the weights of their feathered fighters in a scene reminiscent of a Wall Street trading floor as they sought a suitable opponent of the same heft.

It's a scene that unfolded on a recent afternoon in an arena paid for with U.S. tax dollars, on an island territory where cockfighting is a legal and popular activity.

In fact, the territory's gov-

ernment is battling to keep the blood sport thriving, as many matches go underground to avoid fees and admission charges levied by official clubs. Although long in place, those costs have since become overly burdensome for some as the island endures a fifth year of economic crisis.

The business once generated \$100 million US a year in revenue for government-owned clubs across the U.S. territory, among the few

places in the world where such fights remain legal. Many say revenue at such clubs has plummeted.

In October 2010, Puerto Rico legislators voted for a widely lauded resolution to protect cockfights, saying they are an integral part of the island's folklore and patrimony. Subsequent legislation to crack down on illegal fights have received a lukewarm response.

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The Puerto Rican government is fighting to keep a sport alive that many consider inhumane. FRANKLIN REYES/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Probe. Japan looks into possible coverup of worker radiation exposure

Japanese authorities are investigating subcontractors on suspicion that they forced workers at the tsunami-hit nuclear plant to underreport the amount of radiation they were exposed to so they could stay on the job longer.

Labour officials said Sunday that an investigation had begun over the weekend after media reports of a coverup at the Fukushima Dai-ichi plant, which suffered multiple meltdowns following the March 2011 earthquake and tsunami disasters.

A subcontractor of plant operator Tokyo Electric Power Co., or TEPCO, acknowledged having nine workers cover their dosimeters with lead plates late last year so the instrument would indicate a lower level of radiation exposure.

The investigation marks the first time the government has looked into the case, believed to be part of a widespread practice at the plant since it was hit by the worst atomic crisis since Chernobyl.

The government more than doubled the emergency radiation exposure limit soon after the accident, but lowered it back to the previous level in December. The law now sets the exposure limit at 50 millisieverts per year, or a five-year total of 100 millisieverts.

Dosimeter readings are crucial personal records that determine how much longer a worker can stay on a plant job. Work at highly contaminated

areas could quickly eat up a worker's quota.

The issue reflects a growing concern among the government and TEPCO about how to secure a continuous flow of workers to finish cleaning up the plant. Officials say it will take about 40 years to decommission the plant's four wrecked reactors — three with melted cores and another with a spent fuel pool in a shattered building.

Labour officials made onsite inspections at the Fukushima plant to examine dosimeter readings of the workers and other records, said Yasuhiro Kishi, an official at the Fukushima Labor Bureau.

Health and Labor Ministry officials repeatedly issued warnings to TEPCO during the first few months of the crisis about the company's lax oversight of workers' exposures. Officials have also said TEPCO had several workers share a dosimeter not just early in the crisis when the equipment was in short supply due to tsunami damage, but even after a full stock had been regained.

Takashi Wada, president of Fukushima-based subcontractor Build-Up, acknowledged this weekend that the dosimeter falsification had taken place. He said a supervisor of the group of nine workers came up with the idea when his dosimeter alarm went off during his short preview visit to the area where the workers were assigned.

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Drug trade

Jamaican pot goes up in smoke

Nearly 6,795 kilograms of marijuana has been destroyed in Jamaica. The bonfire of seized drugs follows raids on marijuana-growing and trafficking operations on the Caribbean island launched since 2010. Police say most of the marijuana was seized this year.

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World

Turkish chopper crash kills four

A Turkish paramilitary helicopter crashed Sunday in a southeastern region where troops are fighting Kurdish rebels, killing four security personnel on board and injuring eight others, officials said. The helicopter, belonging to Turkey's police force, crashed while landing near an outpost.

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Joe Paterno. Statue of famed coach taken down amid sex-abuse scandal

Cloresa Turner drove to central Pennsylvania from Virginia to see the statue of veteran Penn State football coach Joe Paterno.

When she arrived in State College on Sunday she saw that it was gone.

The university announced Sunday that it was taking down the monument in the wake of an investigative report that found that the late coach and three other top Penn State administrators concealed sex-abuse claims against Jerry Sandusky.

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The famed statue of Paterno was removed from outside the Penn State football stadium Sunday.

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Vatican

Pope's butler released from jail

Pope Benedict XVI's jailed butler was released from custody Saturday and placed under house arrest as a decision on whether to indict him neared.

Paolo Gabriele was arrested May 23 on suspicion of stealing and leaking documents in a case that embarrassed the Pope while exposing corruption, infighting and power struggles.

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Afghanistan

Pullout of U.S. troops nearing, after 10 years

This year's pullout of 23,000 American troops from Afghanistan is at the halfway mark, U.S. Gen. John Allen, the top commander of U.S. and NATO forces, said Sunday. It's a kind of milestone toward wrapping up the U.S. and NATO combat role after a decade in the war-torn nation.

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Catalonia. Two wildfires disrupt northeast Spain

Two wildfires fanned by strong winds killed three people and severely disrupted transportation in Spain's northeast region of Catalonia on Sunday, officials said.

Train services in Alto Ampurdan had been suspended and several cross-border roads linking Barcelona with France had been closed because of the advancing

Transportation disrupted

"The situation on the roads of the area is very complicated."

Statement from the local fire service

flames, regional government spokesman Felip Puig said.

One person died of a heart attack. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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First anniversary of gay marriage in N.Y.

Sixth state to allow gay weddings.

Tuesday is officially the first anniversary of the law, but no additional states have enacted similar legislation

New York became the largest and most influential state to legalize gay marriage one year ago, raising supporters' hopes that it would boost national momentum and pump money into the state with a flurry of weddings from Man-

When it hit New York, Americans noticed

"When it became a reality in New York, that's when I think most Americans started to realize that this is something we'll all be dealing with."

Marty Rouse of the Human Rights Campaign, a gay-advocacy group

hattan to Niagara Falls.

As the anniversary nears Tuesday, the law's effects are noticeable if hard to measure.

Thousands of same-sex couples have wed across New York, but it's unclear just how many, partly because marriage applicants aren't required to identify themselves

by gender.

The wedding business is up, but some planners in New York City say it's not booming.

And while President Barack Obama announced support this year for gay marriage, no state has enacted a law allowing it since New

York. And opponents note that North Carolina voters banned it.

One thing is clear: Legalizing gay marriage in the cultural, media and business hub of New York City amped up the national spotlight on the issue.

"Do you know I still have people come up to me and congratulate me on my wedding?" said Carol Anastasio, who was among the first newlyweds.

An analysis by the Democratic conference predicted there would be up to 66,500 weddings in the first three years. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Navy sailors before the pride parade Saturday in San Diego.

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Uniformed military at Pride

Some of the loudest cheers Saturday at San Diego's gay-pride parade were for active-duty troops marching in military dress, the first time that U.S. service members participated in such an event while in full uniform.

Dozens of soldiers, sailors and Marines marched alongside an old army truck decorated with a "Freedom to

Serve" banner and a rainbow flag symbolizing gay pride. They were joined by dozens more military personnel in civilian clothes, but the uniforms stood out among the flower-bedecked floats and scantily clad revellers.

Spectators waved signs reading, "Thank you for your service." A woman held a placard that said: "My gay son

is a Naval officer."

"Today is so important," said navy Lt. Brian McKinney, who marched with his civilian partner, Hunter Hammonds. "It's about putting on my uniform and taking pride in my service, my fellow service-members, my family and myself. It's something I'm incredibly thankful for."

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Few celebrate 3-year anniversary marking end of Great Recession

Global recovery. Three years on and trillions spent, economies still fragile in U.S. and Europe, while Canada's progress is deceiving

Few are noting the occasion, but about now Canada and the rest of the world should be celebrating the third anniversary marking the end of the Great Recession.

It was in the third quarter of 2009 — the July-September months — that Canada and many other major advanced nations began to breathe a little easier in the knowledge they had peered into the economic abyss and somehow survived.

Yet there are no signs of rejoicing, or even relief.

At separate stock-taking events last week, U.S. Federal Reserve chairman Ben Bernanke, Bank of Canada gov-

Aiming for average

On a per-capita basis, Canadians are still not back to where they were before the 2008-09 crisis.

- Per-capita GDP in inflation-adjusted dollars peaked at \$40,015.79 in the fourth quarter of 2007, and had only returned to \$39,648.11 in the first quarter this year.

ernor Mark Carney and the International Monetary Fund each had different versions of the same message — the global economy still hangs by a thread, growth is painfully slow and full employment is years away.

Europe is suffering through a Japan-style lost decade.

Canadians have been told repeatedly they have done

better than most, and the message has become the reality.

France's L'Express magazine last week declared Canada No. 1 in a cover story, encouraging readers to pack up and head to the promised land.

The reality is a little more nuanced, though Canada looks awfully good next to much of Europe, which is now expected to be in recession the rest of the year.

But even in Canada, things might have turned out better. The first full year of recovery saw the output expand by an acceptable 3.2 per cent, but slow to 2.4 per cent in 2011. Depending on the forecast, it will likely slow further to between 1.5 and 2.1 per cent this year.

And that's gross domestic product, which includes population growth of about 1.2 per cent a year. Take away the fact there are more people in the country producing and spending, and the picture looks very different.

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Murdoch retreats

Media mogul Rupert Murdoch, pictured entering the News Corp. building in New York last year, has resigned as a director of a number of News Corp. subsidiary boards in Britain and the United States, a spokeswoman confirmed Saturday. The announcement suggests that Murdoch may be distancing himself from his British newspaper interests, which have been shaken to the core by a widespread phone-hacking scandal. LOUIS LANZANO/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Technology

Lab working on security shoe

A new lab at Carnegie Mellon University is working on shoe insoles that monitor access to high-security areas, like nuclear-power plants. The idea is based on research showing that people have unique feet and ways of walking. Sensors in the footprint collect data and check the patterns. One expert says the technology could raise privacy questions. Attorney Lee Tien with the Electronic Frontier Foundation says it's a potential tracking device.

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Beyond coffee

Starbucks juiced with Evolution

Starbucks on Friday announced the opening of three more Evolution Fresh juice stores, in addition to the one it opened earlier this year. The Seattle-based company is also expanding distribution of ready-to-drink bottles of Evolution juice in stores to capitalize on the rapidly growing market for premium juices.

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Canadian TV viewers to get more flexibility to choose their channels

Canadian viewers frustrated with paying for television channels they don't want can expect more flexible packages in light of a new ruling by broadcast regulators.

The Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission has ruled in favour of proposals made by Bell Media and Telus Corp. to adopt a more flexible TV-package model.

"In this decision, one of our main criteria was flex-

ibility and innovation in the packaging," said Denis Carmel, a spokesman for the CRTC.

Carmel said that while individual channels may cost more under the new model, consumers' bills may go down because they will be paying for fewer channels.

The CRTC could not provide details about the terms of the agreement, which is confidential.

The ruling reflects a

TV à la carte

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Denis Carmel, CRTC spokesman

marketplace that is moving towards more flexible packaging, where consumers only have to pay for what they want, said Carmel.

StatsCan. Inflation rate rises to 1.5% in June, consumer prices stable

Expensive electricity

5.9%

The key standout in Friday's report was that the cost of electricity rose by 5.9 per cent from last year, with most of the increases in Ontario, Alberta and British Columbia.

Economists had actually projected an even greater uptick given May's extremely low reading of 1.2 per cent.

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a billion dollars and counting, still doesn't work. It leaks, and some of the panels have been damaged by dripping lubricant.

The damage will cost somewhere between \$1-\$10 million. Based on the history of this project, I'd go with the higher end of the estimate. But don't worry. It's on warranty — maybe.

The contractors and subcontractors are all suing each other. The Three Stooges are the contractors and they've hired the Marx Brothers as their lawyers. Good luck with that.

Somebody (not me) wanted a retractable roof in a city where it rains 166 days of the year. So far the half-billion-dollar roof has been opened 10 times since the Whitecaps and Lions season began.

Open-and-shut case

"Somebody (not me) wanted a retractable roof in a city where it rains 166 days of the year. So far the half-billion-dollar roof has been opened 10 times since the Whitecaps and Lions season began."

province balked. Geez, for \$35 million or so, who cares if they want a big sign?

There has also been a lot of loose talk about the stadium paying for itself, but it's projected to run at a \$49-million loss over the next three years, according to one report. If you're still waiting for the good news, join the club.

It's worth noting — over and over — that nobody asked us. The old roof fell in, and before you knew it we were on the hook for a replacement that cost more than four times the price of the entire stadium when it was built. The new one wasn't even ready for the 2010 Olympics, which could have been the only excuse, lame as it is, for such an extravagance.

If this isn't the biggest boondoggle in the history of Boondoggle Patch, I'll eat my hat. And that's no small sacrifice: I'll need it the next time I go to a Lions or Whitecaps game, even if the roof is closed.

As I sit there, a puddle forming around me, my thoughts will naturally turn to all the other things we could have done with half a billion dollars, like save it for a rainy day.

Beach volleyball

London weather threatens itsy-bitsy bikinis

Two piece or not two piece: That is the question.

Chilly weather and evening matches at the London Olympics may force a cover up in beach volleyball — from bikinis to long johns.

"We need it to keep our muscles warm," Australian competitor Tamsin Hinchley said Sunday. "It's an extremely strenuous sport."

Yes, but let's get real. Long sleeves and leggings aren't exactly the main draw for lots of beach volleyball fans.

Asked if she thought it would be a turnoff for some fans, Hinchley

said no, she thought the atmosphere would still be rocking at Horse Guards Parade.

"The regulations are that it's tight fitting, so if that's what you're there for, whatever."

And the gear has already been a common — even if not entirely popular — sight on the world beach volleyball tour this year. It's now part of the uniform, Hinchley said.

"Obviously we're that sport, we're the sport that wears the bikinis and we're the sport that's physically out there," she said. "But we're jumping and running and sliding on the sand. We'll be using (cold-weather gear) to benefit us physically. We'll definitely be taking it."

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If you see people crawling around the roof of BC Place stadium, you're not seeing things.

Well, you are seeing things, but, believe it or not, they're real.

That roof, which has cost a half

billions, that's \$50 million a roll-back, although you can expect that to go down over the years

as it continues to operate as an open-air stadium for nine or 10 days a year. It should pay for itself by the 24th century, or so.

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The running of the brides



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On your mark ...

It's as if they are racing to the altar

Brides prepare for a race in central Belgrade, Serbia, on Sunday.

The winner and two runners-up of the Bridal Race, organized by a local magazine, receive numerous awards and the wedding gown they chose to race in.

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A runaway bride's footwear.

Bride wars

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About 50 women took part in the event, which was a 150-metre sprint through Belgrade's streets.

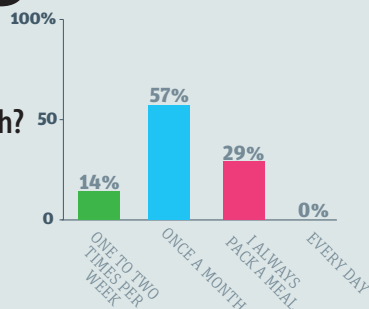
Just run with it

Just as Spain has the Running of the Bulls, Serbia has the running of the brides every year.



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How often do you eat out for lunch?



Twitter

@_nkaay: It's so weird how everyone in Vancouver/Surrey just seems to know each other lol

@littlemissrisk: Whenever I see a pack of runners running at when I'm jogging, I always turn and run with them, so I can pretend I'm the leader. #alphabi—

@stephshenassa: Everyone in Vancouver are dog

people

@ChrisKuc: Center Dave Bolland on if he could imagine #Canucks' Roberto Luongo on the #Blackhawks: "Next question."

@aftncanada: The @Southsiders are planning a farewell chant to Eric Hassli on Sunday. Will chant his name from 29th to 30th minute as goodbye and thanks.

The 20-year itch

Unwilling to start collecting dust in the seat crack of pop music, a spate of bands whose heydays are a couple decades in the rear view are back with a vengeance. Hollaback No Doubt, Garbage, Cranberries, and I Mother Earth, and, not to be left out of the fold, The Backstreet Boys, are once again back in the spotlight.

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Backstreet Boys

Heyday: 1996-2000

Kevin, AJ, Brian, Howie, and Nick are back alright...but are they still everything you need? While the aging heartthrobs released a pair of albums in Kevin's absence, '07s *Unbreakable* and '09s *This Is Us*, the band's core audience has been inconsolable since the oft-goateed member left. The reunion kicks off August 31 with a free concert in Central Park. A new album and a full-scale tour set for spring of next year is also in the works. Fans who can't wait that long to get their fix of returning singer Kevin Richardson can hunt down a pair of indie flicks he starred in this year: *The Casserole Club*, a wife-swapping drama set in the 1960s, and *The Bloody Indulgent*, a vampire musical.

Signature Songs: I Want it That Way, Show me the Meaning, As Long as You Love Me



The Cranberries

Heyday: 1993-1999

This Limerick-Ireland-based quartet hadn't released a studio album since 2001, and fans were missing their lush and lilting brand of poignant sonic dreamscapes. Seamlessly alternating between sweet "di, do-do doo" lullabies and more attitudinally tart fare, the Cranberries are at their best when they temper their melodic sweetness with notes of sour anguish. The band sticks to their knitting on 2012's *Roses*, re-teaming with their original producer Stephen Street to recapture their magic. During their downtime, singer Dolores O'Riordan dropped a pair of solo albums and lead guitarist Noel Hogan delved into electronica starting up *Monoband*, which spun into the side project's current incarnation, *Arkitekt*. Since reconvening, the Cranberries have been busy busting out tunes on the road and will be on a European swing this coming fall with stops from Bucharest to Barcelona and many points between.

Signature Songs: Dreams, Linger, Zombie



Garbage

Heyday: 1995-2001

With a name that gives a wry wink at the disposable nature of pop music, Garbage, assembled by Butch Vig (the super producer behind Nirvana's *Nevermind*), and a couple of his rock-vet pals, was originally a side project. Tapping Angelfish singer Shirley Manson to front the band made them one of the decade's steamiest acts. After seven years of hibernation following the underrated *Bleed Like Me*, Garbage returned with the nostalgia-mining *Not Your Kind of People*. Garbage's new material recycles the post-Grunge underpinnings of their self-titled debut and melds it with the spit-shined polish of their sophomore release *Version 2.0* to create a vital new sound. During their self-imposed exile pouty-lipped Manson stole scenes as a chilly yet sexy liquid metal Terminator in FOX's *The Sarah Connor Chronicles* while Vig earned himself a Grammy producing Green Day's *21st Century Breakdown*.

Signature Songs: Only Happy When It Rains, Stupid Girl, I Think I'm Paranoid



I Mother Earth

Heyday: 1993-1999

After an eight-year layoff since disbanding in the aftermath of 2003's *The Quicksilver Meat Dream*, IME was resurrected when they took the stage at Toronto's Sound Academy this past March for a pair of sold out shows. Bryan Byrnes, who took over from Edwin on 1999's *Blue Green Orange*, is back behind the mic and the Tanna brothers Christian and Jagori unleashing the band's beefy sonic onslaught on drums and guitar while Bruce Gordon checks back in on bass. The new single *We Got the Love* is a hard rocking, high-wattage pick-me-up that stands up to the band's most loved hits and longtime fans are lapping it up. With fellow mid-90s Canadian alt-rock radio regulars Treble Charger and Tea Party also recently getting their acts back together we smell a formidable triple bill in the near future.

Signature Songs: Levitate, One More Astronaut, Another Sunday



No Doubt

Heyday: 1992-2001

Ska-revivalists No Doubt rocked steady throughout the 1990s but haven't jammed on new material in over a decade. *Settle Down*, the first single of their upcoming album *Push and Shove*, is a bouncy tour de force produced by Diplo (Beyoncé, M.I.A.) charged by waves of Caribbean dancehall and frontwoman Gwen Stefani's infectiously perky pop-vocals. Since they've been gone the platinum blonde singer has released a pair of well-received solo albums, started a couple of fashion labels in L.A.M.B. and Harajuku Lovers, and gave birth to her two sons Kingston and Zuma. Bottle blonde bassist Tony Kanal also kept busy producing and laying down tracks with the likes of Pink and Weezer.

Signature Songs: Just a Girl, Don't Speak, Hey Baby

Ricky Martin. Singer loving the Broadway life

Ricky Martin says Broadway is a monster that requires discipline, concentration and dedication, but *Evita*'s Che is feeling so happy and so at home that he can't imagine moving for a while. In an interview at the Marriott Marquis Hotel in Times Square, New York, which houses the musical based on the life of Argentina's first lady Eva

Peron, Martin said he's never been challenged as much as in the Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber spectacle and that this is, precisely, what has him "hooked" on Broadway, where he debuted in 1996 as Marius in *Les Misérables*. Martin has already decided to stay in the Big Apple at least for a while, calling it a "fascinating" and multicul-

tural city for his soon-to-be twins, Matteo and Valentino.

You were born for the stage and certainly for one on Broadway. Any immediate plans to work on other musicals or plays after *Evita*?

I love being onstage. I love what's happening with *Evita*. The reaction that I get every night from the audience, the emotions, the feeling, what I'm feeling every night onstage is, simply beautiful. It's never the same, you never get bored, it's very challenging. Do I want to come back to Broadway?

I would love to do Broadway the rest of my life! Because it's challenging, because it makes me grow as an actor, as an entertainer, as an artist, and that's what I need, that's what I'm hooked on.

Would you consider staying here in New York?

I AM staying here in New York! Those are my plans. Anything can change in show business, you know how it goes, everything changes from one day to the other. But my idea is to stay here for a while.

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Scene in brief

Studios silent on box office brags

A Warner Bros. executive emailed a fact sheet about *The Dark Knight Rises* to Hollywood reporters a few days ago and ended with two hopeful syllables for the film's box-office prospects: "Ka ching." Cash registers have indeed been ringing at theatres worldwide this weekend as millions shell out for the finale to Christopher Nolan's epic *Batman* trilogy. But the shootings that left 12 dead and 58 wounded at a *Dark Knight Rises* screening in Colorado on Friday have silenced the usual box-office crowing by studios to let the world know they've unleashed another blockbuster. Warner, the studio behind the *Batman* flicks, decided to hold off on releasing debut numbers for *The Dark Knight Rises* this weekend out of respect to the shooting victims and their families. Other studios followed suit, saying that like Warner, they would not issue their usual Sunday estimates, waiting instead until Monday, when they normally release final dollar counts for the weekend. There's no doubt that *The Dark Knight Rises* will be the No. 1 film in America and beyond. Before Warner opted against weekend box-office reporting, the studio announced that the film took in \$30.6 million domestically from shows that started just after midnight Friday.

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On the web



PBS gives *Downton Abbey* season 3 sneak peek



Mariah Carey. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Mariah Carey eyes judges' role on Idol

With Mariah Carey rumored to be close to signing on as a new judge for American Idol, the last remaining judge for the reality singing competition wants to make it clear that he isn't going anywhere.

While serving as guest host on The View last week, Randy Jackson announced that he is not leaving American Idol, despite speculation he might be following Jennifer Lopez and Steven Tyler, who recently left the show.

"Steven and Jennifer

are truly two of the most talented and consummate professionals I've worked with," Jackson recently told Gossip Cop about his co-workers' departure. "I was friends with them before we hopped on this crazy journey together and I have no doubt our friendships will continue long after." Jackson's statement still leaves open the possibility that he'll move from the judges' table to a mentorship role on the show, leading to a completely new panel of judges.

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Group going Gaga over her gay ways

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Pop stars can't catch a break today from the crazies.

The Florida Family Association is blaming Lady Gaga's hit single Born This Way and the singer's charitable foundation of the same name for encouraging teens to feel like worthwhile humans.

"Born This Way sends an irresponsible message

to many teens who would have eventually chose to be straight," says the organization's website. "Thousands of kids who might have otherwise worked through their pubescent sexual identity issues (to) be inspired to accept the wrong choice based upon (her) unscientific, emotionally charged propaganda."

The group is also encouraging followers to boycott retail chain Office Depot for donating \$1 million to the Born This Way foundation.

No, guys — just no.

Although we do worry she sends an irresponsible message to the many teens who would have eventually chose not to wear a dress made from decapitated Muppets.



Posh Spice.

Wannabe singers looking to Spice up Olympics

The Spice Girls are set to reunite for a performance to mark the closing of the 2012 Summer Olympics in London on Aug. 12, a source confirms to Us Weekly.

The group, which split up in 2001, hasn't performed together since their 2008 reunion tour. All five

original members will be taking part, according to the source, and the group is expected to do two songs, including their debut hit, Wannabe. Other performers at the event will include George Michael, the Who and Jessie J, according to the source.



Usher.

Usher struggles with stepson's death

R&B singer Usher is mourning the death of his 11-year-old stepson, Kyle Glover, who succumbed to injuries suffered in a jet ski accident earlier this month, according to TMZ.

Glover was riding on an

inner tube being towed by a motor boat when a family friend's jet ski collided with him on Lake Lanier, Atlanta, Ga.

The boy was hospitalized and declared brain dead shortly after.

Twitter



@MissKellyO

I NEED HELP FROM A TECHY! i just deleted a really important work email from my trash how can i get it back?



@victoriabeckham

London is AMAZING!!! so beautiful!!!! love being home, on a boat trip with the kids!!!



@rejectedjokes

Just filled out a Mad Lib with Justin Beiber. He put SWAG in for everything. Noun, verb, pronoun... everything. SWAG.



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Athletes at the Olympics are being issued 15 condoms each. Or as the men's table tennis players put it, "14 condoms too many."

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Her husband donated sperm

Families. ...to a lesbian couple, and that's fine by her, says one mom

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Alana's husband had never donated sperm before. Although the mother of three had contemplated egg donation from time-to-time, her husband had never considered the opportunity to help a family in need, both before their marriage and after.

But when the couple's friends Jennie and Susan watched yet another sperm donor fall through, Alana and her husband decided to present them with an offer.

Two years ago after Alana welcomed her third child, Jennie and Susan were approaching the year mark of a struggle to get pregnant. Many legal barriers prevented the aspiring mommies from even getting married, let alone becoming parents — a predicament that deeply touched both Alana and her husband.

After consulting a lawyer on waiving all parental rights, the couple approached Jennie and Susan with the chance to use "their" sperm.

"They were surprised and grateful because the area where we lived is very conservative and most of our mutual friends were either neutral to their struggle or privately against it," Alana remembers.

The ladies didn't just hop at any sperm sample though.

Quoted

"An anonymous sperm donor had never appealed to the couple and the idea of reaching out to friends with similar values greatly interested them."



One lesbian couple accepts a sperm donation from a family friend. THINKSTOCK

Only after some questioning about her husband's health and family medical history — which included no major genetic diseases — did the two mommies green light the idea. An anonymous sperm donor had never appealed to the couple and the idea of reaching out to friends who shared similar values greatly interested them. A sparkling family medical history and Alana's three healthy children ultimately had the two women consenting to expand their family

with her husband's sperm.

She describes Jennie and her partner as being "very open" to both Alana and her family having limited involvement with the hypothetical child, hashing out potential visits and the routine sending of photos.

The "crunchy, natural lifestyle" ladies were adamant about attempting a more "organic" method for conception before going the IVF route. Upon removing heterosexual sex from the table, the soon-

to-be mommies decided on at-home insemination and asked Alana's husband to deposit a sperm sample in a sterile cup at their home. Within the next hour, the couple used a sterile medical syringe, similar to what is used with infants, inside Susan. Although the couple was prepared to go through five rounds of at-home insemination before trying more conventional approaches, the mothers conceived on their second round — a rarity for their preferred

method. Susan and Jennie eventually welcomed a baby girl.

"Jennie and Susan are two of the most loving, awesome people we have ever met and if anyone deserved to be mothers it was them. My husband and I both feel honoured and touched that we could be a part of helping them realize their dream of being parents," Alana tells Mommyish. "But in the end they are her mommies and my husband and I are just family friends."

First peanuts, now eggs

Doctors have reversed allergies in some children and teens by giving them tiny daily doses of problem foods, gradually training their immune systems to accept them.

In the best test of this yet, about a dozen kids were able to overcome allergies to eggs, one of the most ubiquitous foods, lurking in everything from pasta and veggie burgers to mayonnaise and even marshmallows. Some of the same doctors used a similar approach on several kids with peanut allergies a few years ago.

Don't try this yourself, though. It takes special products, a year or more and close supervision because severe reactions remain a risk, say doctors involved in the study, published in Thursday's *New England Journal of Medicine*.

"This experimental therapy can safely be done only by properly trained physicians," says a statement from Dr. Anthony Fauci, director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, the federal agency that sponsored the study.

It didn't work for everyone, and some dropped out of the study because of allergic reactions. But the results "really do show there is promise for future treatment" and should be tested now in a wider group of kids, said the study's leader, Dr. A. Wesley Burks, pediatrics chief at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

Training a child's immune system to tolerate even small amounts of egg to prevent a major reaction was the study's goal. It enrolled 55 children ages five to 18. Forty were given



Doctors are working on reversing egg allergies in kids and teens. ISTOCK

tiny daily amounts of powdered egg white, the part that usually causes the allergy. The other 15 were given a dummy treatment for comparison. The amounts

were increased every two weeks until kids in the treatment group were eating about one third of an egg each day.

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Health

Whooping cough rising

The U.S. appears to be headed for its worst year for whooping cough in more than five decades, with the number of cases rising at an epidemic rate that experts say may reflect a problem with the effectiveness of the vaccine.

Nearly 18,000 cases have been reported so far — more than twice the number seen at this point last year, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said Thursday. At this pace, the number for the entire year will be the highest since 1959, when 40,000 illnesses were reported.

Nine children have died, and health officials called on adults — especially pregnant women and those who spend time around children — to get a booster shot as soon as possible.

Whooping cough has generally been increasing for years, but this year's spike is startling. Health investigators are trying to figure out what's going on, and theories include better detection and reporting of cases, some sort of evolution in the bacteria that cause the illness, or shortcomings in the vaccine.

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On the Web



Watch out, Tim Hortons: Canadians getting hooked on single-serve coffee machines

Go wild for Wild Mushroom Risotto sans all the calories

Wild Mushroom Risotto with Parmesan and Asparagus



This recipe serves four. RYAN SZULC, FROM ROSE REISMAN'S FAMILY FAVORITES (WHITECAP BOOKS)



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and few calories by comparison (4.9 g of fat and 196 calories per serving).

For a more elegant risotto, try using truffle oil.

mins. or until onions are just tender and lightly browned. Add the mushrooms and sauté for about 8 minutes or until the mushrooms are no longer wet.

1. Lightly coat saucepan with cooking spray, add oil and set over medium-high heat. Add onion and garlic, and sauté 5

2. Add arborio rice and sauté 1 minute. Add 1 cup of the stock and simmer until the stock has just been absorbed. Con-

Ingredients

- 2 tsp vegetable oil
- 1 cup finely chopped onion
- 2 tsp finely chopped garlic
- 4 cups chopped wild mushrooms (try oyster, shiitake and/or portobello)
- 1 cup arborio rice
- 3 1/2 cups vegetable stock
- 1 cup chopped asparagus (cut into 1-inch pieces)
- 1/3 cup grated Parmesan
- pinch of salt and pepper
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh basil

tinue adding 1/2 cup stock at a time, stirring until absorbed; repeat until all the stock has been used (about 20 minutes in total). Add the chopped asparagus with the last 2 cups of stock and cook until the asparagus is tender-crisp, about 3 minutes, and the liquid is absorbed.

3. Add all but 2 tbsp of the grated Parmesan cheese, the salt and pepper and mix well. Garnish with the remaining Parmesan and the basil. Serve warm. ROSE REISMAN'S FAMILY FAVORITES (WHITECAP BOOKS)

I love risottos but the restaurant versions are loaded with butter, cream or cheese. This risotto is easy to make and has little fat

Former cop gets recovery write

Success in sobriety. Gary Rubie has penned a book to help those out there suffering from personal pain



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As a police officer with 25 years of service, Gary Rubie dealt with suicides, as-

saults, homicides, armed robberies and the murders of 15 police officers. The work-related trauma took its toll and Rubie started to experience nightmares and overwhelming depression. He ended up addict-

ed to alcohol and pain killers.

Gary was diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder and got help.

He started to write about his experiences and was eventually encouraged to put his stories and poems into a book called *Out On a Cliff*.

"I want to stop one person from committing suicide.

For the person suffering from crippling depression I want them to know there is a light at the end of the tunnel. If one person is about to pick up a drink or use drugs there is another way out. You don't have to destroy your mind and body anymore."

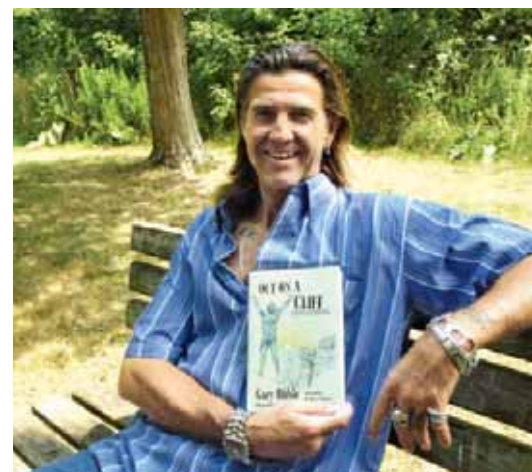
For 25 years, Rubie put his life on the line everyday as a police officer. Today, he has a new career. He's giving people hope.

"It's a miracle I'm alive today. I should have been dead 20

Help yourself

Thoughts on recovery

- Surrender and be completely honest
- Turn your will and your power over to something greater than you
- Live one day at a time
- Be kind and gentle with yourself.



Gary Rubie is a former police officer and author of *Out on a Cliff*, which features illustrations by his father, Henk Rubie. KIRSTYN RUBIE

times over. From now on I plan to give back and help others."

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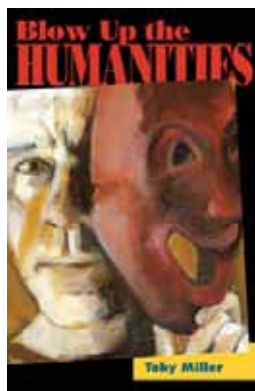
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Metro World News in Philadelphia

Toby Miller's latest book is his most confrontational, polemic piece of writing to date. In *Blow Up the Humanities* — which will be released by Temple University Press in August — the longtime author and media studies professor skewers his



Computer languages or ancient languages, which to study? PROVIDED

own field, painting humanities departments as antiquated relics with an overtly class-conscious agenda.

"It used to be that you couldn't get into Yale unless you were proficient in ancient Greek. The idea was that they would produce 'cultivated gentlemen who would be leaders of the country.'"

Eventually they dropped classical languages as the core and turned toward English literature and so on," says Miller, who is the chair of the media and cultural studies program at the University of California, Riverside.

"At the same time the big land-grant universities were looking for a much more applied form of humanities. ... That's why if you go to the University of Michigan or Illinois, you learn speech communi-

cation — but if you go to Yale or Harvard, you learn English literature."

Pointing to a downward trend in student engagement, research and publication opportunities, Miller proposes a decidedly practical curriculum focused on the job skills most students need.

"Whether you work in PR or Metro, Greenpeace or Coca-Cola, you need to know how to design a webpage, the basics of narrative art, how software and hardware work and the conditions of labour in those areas," says Miller.

"I'm looking for something that's very applied, in the way business is, but also has a critical edge, dealing with questions of labour and the environment, and not just how you can make a buck and become a corporate boss."

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SPORTS

MLB

"My inclusion in the Hall of Fame is the ultimate validation. I want to thank you all for helping me along the way."

Former Cincinnati Reds star Barry Larkin, who was inducted into the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum on Sunday in Cooperstown, N.Y. Larkin, who played his entire 19-year career with the Reds, retired after the 2004 season with a .295 career batting average, 2,340 hits, 1,329 runs scored and 379 stolen bases. The late Ron Santo, star third baseman for the Chicago Cubs and later a broadcaster for the team, was also inducted Sunday.

"This is not a sad day. This is a great day. I'm certain that Ronnie is celebrating right now."

Ron Santo's widow, Vicki

Mobile sports



LeBron James finally got his championship and Kevin Durant might be the NBA's brightest young star. But entering the twilight of his illustrious career, Kobe Bryant is the most sought-after personality when the U.S. Olympic basketball team heads overseas. Scan the code for the story.



Barry Robson celebrates his goal with teammates Darren Mattocks and Gershon Koffie Sunday in Vancouver. JONATHAN HAYWARD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Robson making his mark with Caps fans

MLS. Scottish midfielder scores the winner for Vancouver on a penalty kick against San Jose

Barry Robson has looked quite comfortable at BC Place since joining the Whitecaps.

The Scottish midfielder scored in his second straight home game with a penalty kick in the 63rd minute Sunday to give Vancouver a 2-1 win over the San Jose Earthquakes.

After joining the club on the road for four games, the designated player scored his first in Wednesday's 2-2 draw with the L.A. Galaxy, the Whitecaps' first home game in almost a month.

"It feels really good," said Robson. "You don't really get time to settle ... (the fans are) judging you right away."

In the 61st minute, Robson's initial shot deflected to Camilo but the Brazilian was tripped in the penalty area. Robson stepped up and put the ball in the top corner, bringing 20,112 fans to their feet.

"(I wanted to) just hit it as hard as I can," said Robson. "If you hit it hard, even if the goalie picks the right side it's still got that power on it and they might still not be able to save it."

When Camilo went down the referee initially did not call a foul, but after a brief word with the assistant referee, a penalty was awarded. During that moment, Robson picked

Protecting the lead

After blown leads in some of their recent games, the Whitecaps were a bit nervous until the referee's final whistle blew.

- "It was a very important game for us, especially learning from the L.A. game, holding on much better, limiting the chances we gave up," said coach Martin Rennie.

up the ball for himself.

"Barry Robson's scored in some really big games and Camilo's scored for other teams as well," said Vancouver head coach Martin Rennie.

"But Barry Robson wasn't going to give the ball away once he got it."

The call was a sore spot with Earthquakes head coach Frank Yallop after the game.

"The referee decided the game. Well, undecided it," said Yallop. "His first reaction was 'get up' and then he looks over and he gives a penalty kick. We had chances after that to score but it was a bit of a game changer, a big moment in the game."

Dane Richards scored in the 20th minute for the Whitecaps (9-6-7), who took sole possession of third in the Western Conference.

Alan Gordon responded in the 38th minute for the first-place Earthquakes.

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British Open. Els claims victory after Scott falters

Ernie Els felt something special could happen at the British Open, and it did.

All because of a collapse by Adam Scott that no one imagined.

Four shots ahead with four holes to play — after eight straight holes with nothing worse than par — Scott bogeyed them all and had to fight back tears on the 18th green Sunday as the magnitude of his meltdown began to sink in.

Els, who started the final round six shots behind, finished off a flawless back nine

with a 15-foot birdie putt for a 2-under 68 that looked as if it would do little more than lock up another runner-up finish at Royal Lytham and St. Annes. Instead, he wound up with his second British Open — the other one was 10 years ago at Muirfield — and fourth major championship.

"Amazing," Els said. "I'm still numb. It still hasn't set in. It will probably take quite a few days because I haven't been in this position for 10 years, obviously. So it's just crazy, crazy, crazy getting here."

The celebration was muted,



Adam Scott, left, shakes Ernie Els' hand after Els' British Open win on Sunday. JON SUPER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

unlike his other three majors. "First of all, I feel for Adam Scott. He's a great friend of mine," Els said. "Obviously, we both wanted to win very badly.

But you know, that's the nature of the beast. That's why we're out here. You win, you lose. It was my time for some reason."

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MLB

Jays complete sweep of Red Sox

Brett Lawrie hit the game's first pitch for one of Toronto's four homers and the Blue Jays tagged Jon Lester for a career-worst 11 runs in a 15-7 victory that completed a three-game sweep over the Boston Red Sox on Sunday.

J.P. Arencibia, Rajai Davis and Travis Snider also homered for the Blue Jays.

Toronto (48-47) posted a season high for runs and climbed out of the AL East cellar, moving a half-game ahead of the Red Sox (48-48). The Blue Jays matched their season high with 18 hits.

Henderson Alvarez (6-7) pitched 5 2/3 innings for Toronto, giving up seven runs. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Cycling

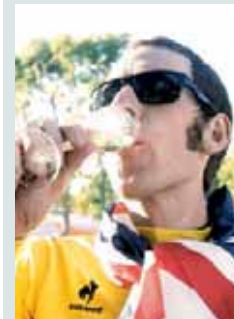
Wiggins smoothly completes Tour de France victory

Twenty-three years ago, Bradley Wiggins marvelled as Greg LeMond blazed a trail as America's first Tour de France winner. Now, he has blazed his own.

The 32-year-old from gritty northwest London became Britain's first winner of cycling's greatest race on Sunday, ending a 75-year drought for his country with an imperial conquest of the roads in France.

Wiggins had locked up the yellow jersey a day earlier by winning the final time-trial and Sunday's ride onto the Champs-Élysées was largely ceremonial.

But putting the coveted shirt to work one last time, he added a touch of class by providing a lead out to Sky teammate and fellow Briton Mark Cavendish to get his third Tour stage victory — the 23rd of his career — in a sprint. The Isle of Man native is a main contender to win road-race gold at the Olympics in London, which has been a hovering presence over the peloton in this Tour. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Bradley Wiggins enjoys some champagne after winning the Tour de France on Sunday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Gaining power from the past

Weightlifting. Medal contender Girard inspired by Canada's former strong-women

The heaviest thing on Christine Girard's shoulders at the Olympics may be the legacy left by the Canadian female weightlifters that came before her.

But it's not a burden that slows her down. It only adds extra inspiration for London.

Girard, who grew up in Rouyn-Noranda, Que., is thinking particularly of Maryse Turcotte, who competed for Canada in the 2000 and 2004 Summer Olympics and won gold in two Commonwealth Games and one Pan American

Quoted

"That's what I want to experience at the Olympics, that the world knows we are nice and polite in Canada but that doesn't mean we can't compete."

Canadian weightlifter Christine Girard

Games before she retired.

"I have enormous respect for Maryse and for what she did," Girard said from White Rock, B.C., where she trains and lives with her husband and coach Walter Bailey. "She was one of the first to stand out at the international level.

"Maryse showed what it's possible to do, she dared to do it. I want to do the same thing and hope to push things further in the future."

Girard hopes to add to the

history in London, where she will compete in the 63-kilogram event on July 31. If she makes the podium, she'll be the first Canadian woman to get an Olympic medal in that discipline.

The 27-year-old, who was born in Elliot Lake, Ont., is not discouraged by incidents of doping within her sport.

"They have their reasons and I know this is not always their choice as an athlete," she said of those who cheat. "My goal is to

show that if you work hard you can beat the others. Maybe it takes more years of training to get to that point — for me, it's 17 years — but I honestly think it's possible."

Girard is on her way to proving her point. She lifted 135 kilograms in the clean-and-jerk in training earlier this year — tying the Olympic record — and recently hoisted 136 kilograms.

"I've spent years testing that every month," she said. "If I'm capable of doing that in training, then others can too."

Girard, who was fourth at the Beijing Games, holds the record in the snatch and in total weight in her class at the Commonwealth Games — 60 kilograms — and the Pan American Games (63 kilograms).

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Christine Girard of Canada competes at the Beijing Olympics in August 2008.
EZRA SHAW/GETTY IMAGES

Track-and-field. U.S.-born athletes make up most of Haiti's small Olympic squad

Four of Haiti's five Olympians at the London Games have something in common — they're not from Haiti.

With millions of Haitians living on \$2 a day or less and hundreds of thousands of people rendered homeless by a devastating earthquake two years ago, the country struggles to produce world-class athletes. But those with Haitian links are eager to represent the small Caribbean country.

"I still feel Haitian even if I wasn't born there," 21-year-old sprinter Marlena Wesh said in a telephone interview with The Associated Press.

Wesh, who will run the 200 and 400 metres at the Olympics, grew up in Virginia but her parents are from Haiti.

Besides having family ties to Haiti, the four foreign-born Olympians will be competing in track-and-field, including a former roommate of Facebook founder Mark Zuckerberg.

Samyr Laine, a 28-year-old triple jumper from New York,



Samyr Laine will compete for Haiti in the triple jump. GETTY IMAGES FILE

roomed with Zuckerberg at Harvard.

He hopes to eventually form a non-profit group called the Jump for Haiti Foundation, a sports program to produce future Olympic athletes from the country. Laine said he plans to call on his friends, including his roommate-turned-billionaire, to donate a few dollars.

"I hope they see the merits of my cause," Laine said. "I will definitely try to reach out to

Athletic infrastructure

Haiti does pose unusual challenges for athletes.

- Three of Haiti's five competitive running tracks house thousands of people in tents and shanties who were displaced by the January 2010 earthquake.

- The office of the Haitian Olympic Committee has a budget of \$400,000. The U.S. Olympic Committee's budget is about \$170 million US.

Mark as well."

Moise Joseph, a 30-year-old 800-metre runner, and Jeffrey Julmis, a 28-year-old 100-metre hurdler, are also on the team. Haiti's lone homegrown Olympian is Linouse Desravine, a 21-year-old judoka.

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Torch reaches new heights in London

Amelia Hempleman-Adams poses with the Olympic flame on top of a London Eye pod on the torch-relay leg through London on Sunday. Hempleman-Adams took the torch on a trip on the giant observation wheel on the south side of the River Thames, riding atop one of the Eye's viewing capsules as it slowly rotated. The 17-year-old Hempleman-Adams was the youngest person to ski to the South Pole last year. The Olympic flame continues its weeklong journey around London, after spending more than 60 days touring Britain. LEWIS WHYLD/LOCOG/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Libya

Released Olympic committee chief says kidnapping still a mystery

The president of Libya's Olympic committee said hours after he returned home Sunday that his kidnapping remains a mystery but that authorities promised to investigate.

Committee chief Ahmed Nabil al-Taher al-Alam was released unharmed a week after unknown gunmen abducted him from his car in Tripoli.

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Basketball

Argentina gives U.S. early exhibition test

The U.S. Olympic men's basketball team wore the throwback uniforms of the 1992 Dream Team on Sunday. The Americans' play was much different.

Kevin Durant scored 27 points and the United States held on for a narrow 86-80 victory over Argentina in an exhibition game.

The Americans got off to a hot start but their lead was down to four with 2:50 left after Manu Ginobili's three-point play. But Durant and Chris Paul hit big three-pointers as the U.S. won after



Argentina's Pablo Prigioni dribbles past Kevin Durant on Sunday in Barcelona, Spain. GETTY IMAGES

being pushed for the second time in its four exhibition games. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Reinstatement

Baseball, softball agree to merge in bid to return to Olympics

Seven years after they were cut from the games, baseball and softball have agreed to merge into a single international federation in a joint bid to return to the Olympics.

The two sports, which were last played at the 2008 Beijing Games, each failed in separate attempts to win reinstatement for the 2012 and 2016 Olympics.

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Social media



tweet."

U.S. hurdler Kerron Clement, who caused a social-media stir in London. He was less than complimentary in his tweet last week after a bus taking athletes to the village had a hard time finding its destination. He let his feelings be known on Twitter.

"Um, so we've been lost on the road for 4hrs. Not a good first impression London."

Clement's tweet

Heptathlon

Injuries force Sweden's Klufft to withdraw from London Games

Swedish long jumper Carolina Klufft says she won't compete at the London Olympics because of a hamstring injury.

The former Olympic and world heptathlon champion told Swedish tabloid Expressen she sees no point in going to London after the injury forced her to pull out of a competition in Finland.

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Horoscopes

Aries

March 21 - April 20

Think big, act big and big rewards are sure to follow. The Sun in the most dynamic area of your chart means you won't let anything come between you and success. Life is a game and you love winning games.

Taurus

April 21 - May 21

Make some changes on the home front this week – the bigger the better. How can you lighten up your living space? What can you do to give yourself a more relaxing environment? Don't wait – just do it.

Gemini

May 22 - June 21

You don't need to raise your voice to make yourself heard – but you probably will. You want to make sure everyone – colleagues and loved ones alike – knows where you are coming from, and where you are going to.

Cancer

June 22 - July 23

You seem to believe that you have been hard done by. Why is that? Maybe it's not other people's fault, maybe it's your own. If you want to change your luck, first change the way you look at the world.

Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

Don't worry if you have not done as much as you should have in recent weeks because the Sun in your sign will give you a boost. But don't wait for good things to be given to you – get them yourself.

Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

A life of ease may sound inviting but what would you have to show for it in the long-term? Not much. You have so many talents and it's about time you started using them.

Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

Friends and family members will go out of their way to assist you today and if you are sensible and act on their advice you will do well on several levels. Your social life is about to pick up dramatically too.

Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

The Sun in Leo at this time of year leads to changes on the work front and it is important that you do not resist what happens over the next few weeks. Go with the flow and you'll do very well indeed.

Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

It's time to let go of beliefs and opinions that have been holding you back and to replace them with something a bit more up-to-date. You don't have to follow the herd but you do have to widen your perspective.

Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

The planets are urging you to be more adventurous. There are occasions when it is right to take risks and this is one of them, so stop playing for time and start making things happen, at home and at work.

Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Put other people's interests first over the next few days, both in your personal life and at work. If you go out of your way to make life easy for others they will make it up to you big time later on.

Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

Tear up an existing arrangement and replace it with something more to your liking. Others may not be happy about it but it is your happiness you should be thinking of.

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Crossword: Ontario

Across

1. Newmarket-born actor Carrey
4. Brampton-born Michael who received 2008 Canadian Comedy Award for best male performance for Superbad
8. With 68-Across, 4 out of 5 touch Ontario
13. Nabokov novel
14. What a French-Canadian traffic cop might yell
15. Where to get a date?
16. "___ gonna get it!"
17. Something to believe
18. Ghana's capital
19. Part of the War of 1812 fought April 27, 1813, at what is now Toronto
22. "___ far, far better thing that I do ..."
23. Locks linking two of 8- and 68-Across
24. Race starter
27. Library transactions
31. Scarborough or North York WRT Toronto
33. Dentistry deg.
34. Great Britain emblem
36. Timberlake's group
37. Willowdale-born comedian who hosted Deal or No Deal
41. Mary Tyler Moore Show spinoff
43. Oakville progressive rock quintet
44. Dashboard gauge
47. Broadcasters
49. Network bigshot
52. Summer in ON
53. Duncan do not
55. Israel native
56. Southernmost extent

of Canada's mainland, in Lake Erie

60. Toronto-born actress Jennifer known for playing Linda on Still Standing

63. ___ Hudson: Windsor-born member of The Band

64. Vitamin stat

65. For ___ : cheaply

66. Roman title

67. Auto retailer: abbr.

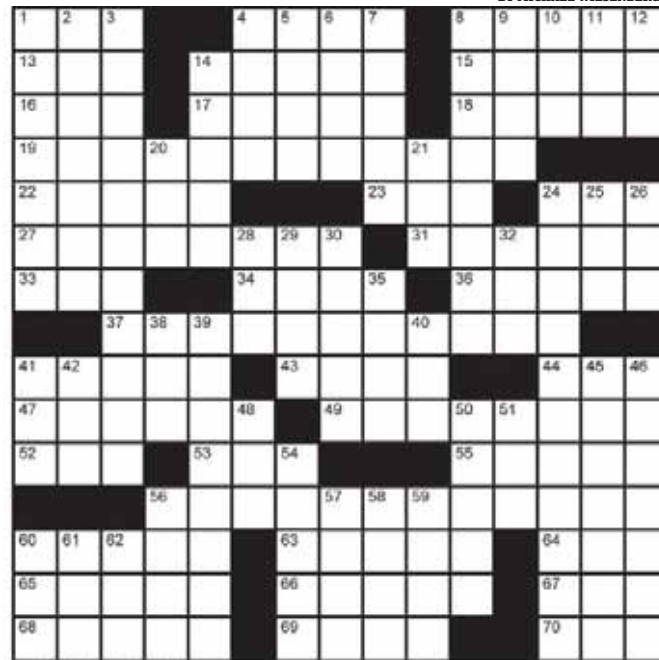
68. See 8-Across

69. Sway

70. Sugary ending

Down

1. Nakedness symbol
2. Conceptualized
3. Hamilton-born star of Three Amigos, Pure Luck, Mars Attacks!, Father of the Bride
4. Early Ontario inhabitants
5. Rubik of cube fame
6. Shoal
7. Lawyers: abbr.
8. Circumvent
9. Pool start
10. It's beside F1
11. Broadcast
12. US airport checkers
14. Attorney-___
20. Mao ___-tung
21. Bond, etc.
24. London-born band-leader who formed The Royal Canadians in 1924
25. Carafe
26. US network
28. Clay, after
29. Falsehoods
30. Intoxicating elixirs



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32. Mad cow disease
35. Former Hungarian premier Imre
38. Poem
39. Admonitions
40. As ___ : Persian poker ancestor
41. Canada's ___ Dawn Chong
42. Secreted
45. Fräulein's frocks

46. How many stupid things are done
48. Unhappy
50. "Steady ___ goes!"
51. Indian lentil dish
54. Lawn tool
56. Not yours
57. Pack cargo
58. One of 8- and 68-Across
59. "___ have to do"

60. Proverb or confident suffix
61. Cape Town's nation: abbr.
62. Convex cooker

Friday's crossword



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Sudoku

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Friday's Sudoku

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